THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO.19836 OF 2005

Dated 8th September 2005

Between:

Kondanna S/o.Kurmanna, Occu:Conductor,

Yedullapur, Mahaboobnagar District.

…Petitioner

And

The Depot Manager,

APSRTC, Narayanpet, Mahaboobnagar District.

…Respondent

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O R D E R:

The petitioner was issued a charge sheet dated 17.1.1999, alleging that he was unauthorisedly absent from duty. Petitioner submitted his explanation to it. On consideration of his explanation, an order was passed on 17.6.2000, imposing the punishment of stoppage of two increments, for a period of two years, without cumulative effect. Similar punishments came to be imposed against the petitioner, through orders dated 19.7.2000 and 28.9.2001. In all, four increments of the petitioner were directed to be withheld, for different periods, without cumulative effect. The grievance of the petitioner is that even after the expiry of the period, for which the increments were deferred, the respondent did not restore the increments. He claims to have made a representation on 14.7.2004, and complains that no orders have been thereon.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Standing Counsel for the Corporation.

On three separate occasions, the respondent imposed punishment of stoppage of increments, against the petitioner. In all of them, the stoppage of increment was, without cumulative effect. The petitioner submitted his representation on 14.7.2004, with a prayer to restore his increments that were stopped through the orders of punishment.

The question as to whether the petitioner is entitled for the restoration of all the increments, or whether there exists any circumstances for denial of the said benefit to him, needs to be considered by the respondent, with reference to the service record of the petitioner. However, the representation cannot be kept pending indefinitely.

Therefore, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the respondent herein to pass appropriate orders, on the representation dated 14.7.2004, within a period of two months, from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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